

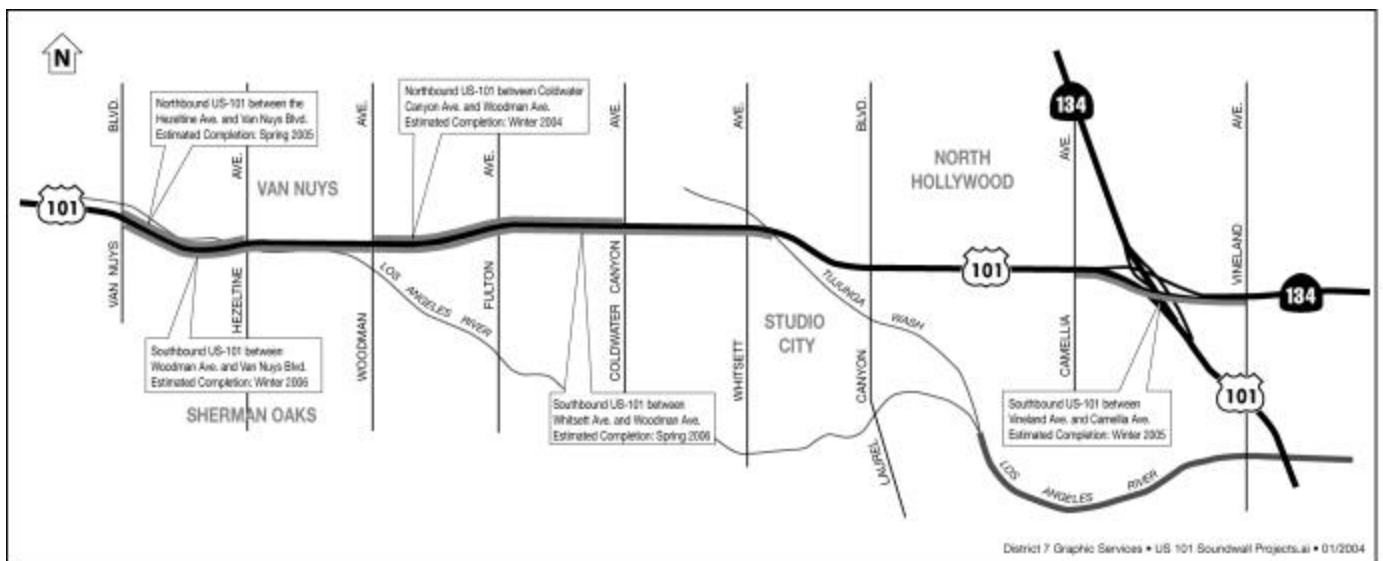


# INFORMATION BULLETIN

## SOUNDWALLS

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is currently constructing five separate soundwall projects on the Ventura Freeway (US Route 101) between Van Nuys Boulevard and Vineland Avenue, in the cities of Sherman Oaks, Van Nuys and North Hollywood. As part of the soundwall project, bridge structures and shoulders will be widened to accommodate the soundwalls.

The height of the walls will be between 10 to 14 feet and it is anticipated that the construction of the soundwalls will reduce noise levels by an average of 5 decibels for the residents in the area. The combined cost of the five projects is \$33.6 million.



Most projects are in the initial stages of construction. Noise generated by equipment used in demolition of bridge rail and pile driving for bridge widening will occur. Pile driving and rail demolition will last an average of two weeks for each bridge location. Work will be performed during daytime hours to minimize the impact of noise; some work will take place during the evening and nighttime hours. Intermittent lane and ramp closures are anticipated. Caltrans will make every effort to minimize excessive noise in the project areas. Caltrans thanks you for your patience as these improvements are completed.

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